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- A method for adjusting forward traffic channel power allocation in a
 communications system, comprising the steps of:
- measuring at a mobile station respective signal qualities of pilots respectively transmitted by a plurality of base stations in an active set of said mobile station;
- comparing said respective signal qualities of said pilots to a standard;
 reporting a message to a system controller indicating which of said pilots
 at said mobile station equal or surpass said standard; and
- adjusting said forward traffic channel power allocation based on said 10 message.